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Date: January 22, 2007

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: ESTROGEN RECEPTOR GENES AND UTILIZATION THEREOF

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
AND ELECTION REQUIREMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2006. This response is being timely filed in view of the submission herewith of a Petition for Extension of Time (one month) to and including January 22, 2007 (January 21 being a Sunday), including authorization to charge fees.

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows, where deleted language is stricken through or contained within double brackets and inserted language is underlined.